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## MICHELIN STARS ALIGN FOR CITY RESTAURANTS

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## Social media randomness

Over on our Facebook page, we like to do this little thing called the Facebook Random Question of the Day. And it's exactly that: random. Tuesday's question was: When we say Chicago, you say \_\_\_\_\_. Below are some of the responses we received. Want to be part of the RedEye social media revolution and see your thoughts here next time? Like us at [facebook.com/theredeye](http://facebook.com/theredeye). COMPILED BY SCOTT KLEINBERG



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Twenty-three Chicago restaurants received star ratings in this year's Michelin Guide, with Alinea and L2O topping the list. A look at the exclusive club:



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Charlie Trotter's



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Chef Curtis Duffy (right) of Avenues gets a phone call Tuesday to tell him the restaurant received two stars from the Michelin Guide. **JOSÉ M. OSORIO/TRIBUNE**

# Champion restaurants

Chicago makes a name for itself in revered food guide

## Chicago Tribune

The Michelin Guide announced the recipients of its coveted star ratings Tuesday morning, and predictably, there were happy surprises and disappointments.

Michelin's ultimate, three-star rating went to Alinea, which was widely expected, and also to L2O, which was not. There would have been an outcry of protests had the Michelin inspectors denied the universally-decorated Alinea its expected top rating. L2O, the cutting-edge restaurant that features chef Laurent Gras (who recently took a leave of absence that some fear will be permanent), was a happy surprise.

Michelin's announcement, originally scheduled for Wednesday morning, was moved up 24 hours in response to an Internet posting by someone who claimed to have gotten an early copy of the Chicago Guide.

It turns out that person had good information: The leaked results, which showed up early Monday

## LOOKING FOR SOMETHING CHEAPER?

The highest rated restaurants in Michelin Guide Chicago 2011 are—how shall we put this?—not so cheap. But there's hope. The folks at Michelin also release what are called the Bib Gourmand awards. The guide describes those as inspectors' favorites for good value. Check 'em out online at [metromix.com](http://metromix.com).



afternoon, matched the official announcement in all respects.

Recipients of two Michelin stars were Avenues, the bold and inventive fine-dining room in the Peninsula Hotel Chicago; Charlie Trotter's, still dazzling diners after more than two decades; and RIA, the opulent dining room within the Elysian Hotel.

Eighteen restaurants received a one-star ranking—still a high honor, given Michelin's notorious stinginess in granting star status.

## NEED TO KNOW

Michelin Guide Chicago 2011, one of three of the company's Red Guides in the U.S., on Tuesday awarded its highest rating of three stars to Alinea, the avant-garde restaurant set in a North Side brownstone, and another Lincoln Park establishment, L2O. Some facts about the guide: **REUTERS**

## 25 percent

Restaurants that win the top ranking may get a 25 percent bump in business, said Jean-Luc Naret, the guide's director.

## Three of a kind

Chicago joins New York and San Francisco as the only cities in North America to have a 2011 restaurant guide from Paris-based Michelin & Cie., the world's second-biggest tire maker.

## Tire connection

Michelin & Cie. produced the first Red Guide at the turn of the 20th century to encourage travel by car.



## Star ratings

While each of the restaurants listed in the guide is recommended, not all are awarded one to three stars to signify excellence. Around the world, only 93 restaurants have three stars, according to Michelin.

## Standard of excellence

Michelin inspectors hold candidates to a common standard, so three stars in Chicago carries the same weight as three in Paris.

## Leaving Las Vegas

Michelin added Chicago after dropping Las Vegas and Los Angeles a year ago.

## Long time coming

Michelin inspectors have been visiting Chicago restaurants for two years, dining anonymously and tasting every dish on the menu, Naret said.

## Definitions

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# 'Horror' on the seven seas

You know what's weird? In both the reporting of the recent breakdown of the Carnival Splendor cruise ship and the subsequent quotes from passengers, the most frequently used word has been "nightmare" or "nightmarish."

What? You don't get to just throw around that word—unless you live in Afghanistan, Somalia or a movie where a burn victim with razor gloves chases you in your dreams.

Get this: After the engine room caught fire and the electricity went out, the ship was adrift for three days off the coast of Mexico without power while tugboats pulled it back to San Diego Bay.

Three days.

The toilets wouldn't flush and the casino couldn't operate. The 3,300 passengers had to resort to eating "impromptu meals that included cheese-and-beet sandwiches and others filled with something that looked like corned-beef hash." As passenger Fahizah Alim, 26, of Sacramento, told The Associated Press, "I spent the night tossing and turning in my cabin in the dark."

Or to put it another way: The embattled passengers had to resort to eating food and sleeping in beds to survive.

The horror, the horror.

Unbelievably, this actually became a major news story. Some enterprising passenger undoubtedly will get a book deal out of it (the film version: "A Nightmare on Splendor Deck").

More unbelievably, in all this press coverage, I have not read one quote from one person who is self-aware enough to realize what a doofus thing it would be to say, "We were in the dark for three days eating nothing but Pop-Tarts! And the beer was warm!"

This is one of those phenomena where you wish it didn't say something larger about the American character, but you know it totally does. There's a guy in the Niger Delta right now with oil-drenched water up to his thighs reading a copy of the USA Today saying, "Really? You had to eat Spam? And the swimming pool was off-limits because there was no way to pump the chlorine? Boy, sure makes you think!"

Thankfully, Carnival Cruise Lines has announced it will give all the passengers a free cruise. This means the entire proposition boils down to a game of "Would You Rather?"

If you're not familiar with this pastime, you basically propose questions like this:

"Would you rather have to marry and be faithful to actor Gary Busey or drink a cup of your own urine every day for the rest of your life?" (I apologize—that's a hard one to start on.)

So: Would you rather experience three days of mild discomfort in exchange for a free Carnival cruise or not have been on board the Splendor and thus get to avoid sounding like a spoiled little teacup in national media?

At the very least, I've got the movie sequel ready to go: "A Nightmare on Splendor Deck II: Running Low on Spam."

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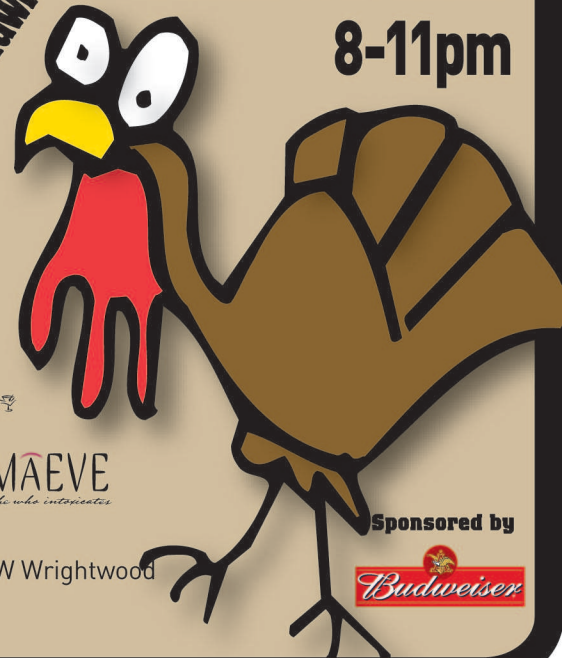


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# CONFESSIONS OF A CAREER SWAPPER

Some Chicagoans taking on odd, temporary gigs

By Georgia Garvey

REDEYE

Josh Stevens was in Boston recently, typing away on his laptop. The Logan Square resident is the so-called “Groupawn”—the guy being paid \$100,000 to live exclusively off Groupons for a year—and he had just arrived in a new city.

Where he would sleep, what he would eat for dinner, he didn't have a clue.

What he did know, from the moment a stranger text-messed him with the offer, was that he definitely was going to shoot a catapult.

“I was like, ‘Yeah!’” he remembers. Next thing he knew, Stevens, 28, was launching ice and rocks at a building that was set to be destroyed. The offer came out of the blue, from someone who'd seen on the Groupawn blog that Stevens was in town.

That's just a day in the life of someone who's accepted an extreme challenge, whether it be a months-long promotional stunt, a made-for-TV venture or even a science experiment. While most of the city works a more traditional schedule, certain Chicagoans are among a group of brave souls who trade their time for money, fame or just the shot at doing something really, really cool.

The companies and TV shows for whom these folks work get visibility, press and fun marketing gimmicks. The people who volunteer get attention, possible new career avenues and a killer experience. But participants also have little control over their lives; their schedules can be rough with not much downtime.

And there are practical questions: When these adventurers are done, what will they do? Where will they go?



According to them, that's beside the point.

“I tend to not have, like, a worry button at all,” Stevens says. His last day on the “job” as the Groupawn is May 10. He'll have done it for a year by then—if he makes it—and he's not stressed about getting a job afterward. “It always works out. It does. If you have that attitude, things fall into place.”

He was going to apply for grad school anyway, and at the time he found out about the Groupon project, he didn't have a serious job to worry about leaving.

Kate McGroarty, who won a contest to spend a month at the Museum of Science and Industry for a shot at \$10,000, has similar feelings. She's not thinking about months or years from now. She knows when she's done, she'll probably hang out with her family for a

while. Other than that, plans are hazy.

The journey is the real goal. McGroarty, 24, of Andersonville, says she's always been the kind of person—a bit impulsive, a bit daring—who's willing to experiment. She laughs when remembering one example of that facet of her personality, a breakfast with friends. In the midst of a discussion about putting too much cinnamon in oatmeal, McGroarty dumped a gigantic mound of the spice into her own meal, pretty much on a whim.

McGroarty graduated from Northwestern University's theater program, and the organizational aspects of the Museum of Science and Industry project mirrored some of what she learned there, she said.

“This is almost exactly what being a director is like,” she said, taking notes and “being an accurate fact-finder.”

The things that might bug most of us about these gigs—the lack of routine, the time spent with strangers, the lack of privacy—aren't

enough of a deterrent for people such as Russ Phillip, who spent time on Logo's now-airing reality show “The Arrangement,” which pitted floral designers against one another. Phillip said the hectic taping schedule and lack of free time didn't faze him.

“That's how I work. I work seven days a week now,” he said with a laugh. “It was no different for me.”

His team at his Elmhurst-based Russ Wholesale Flowers prepped for his departure. Phillip, who's been in the family floral business for years, was paid per episode. The thing he missed the most?

“I think I was more stressed out about my clothing” than anything else, said Phillip, 40. With no place to do laundry for free at the hotel for a month and a half, he worried he'd run out of clean underwear. Otherwise, the pressure and rough schedule weren't enough to bother him as he competed for \$25,000 and a Smart car. “I love being in front of the camera,



# KATE'S NIGHTS AT THE MUSEUM



ALEX GARCIA/TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Kate McGroarty can sleep anywhere she wants in the Museum of Science and Industry—including in a Nazi submarine.

**By Georgia Garvey**  
REDEYE

The 24-year-old Andersonville resident won a contest allowing her to live, eat and sleep at the museum for one month. When the project wraps this week, she'll have \$10,000 coming her way and memories of doing things few have ever done.

"This is the first time this [month at the museum project] has ever happened," she said from her "nest," the two-room apartment with a bed, futon couch and living space hidden away in the museum offices. McGroarty can use any bathroom or shower in the museum. There are plenty available in the office space area near her "nest." "I don't really have a model to work off of. So I'm very excited to, like, sort of be creating that."

She can sleep in the museum's U-505 submarine or about anywhere else she'd like, though, more often than not, she's sacking out in the nest. During the day, she spends some of her



time in the "cube," a clear plastic room in the middle of the museum with a computer and lounging space.

The monthlong project—which McGroarty says she first read about in RedEye—allows her to poke around the darkened halls of the museum at all hours of the day and night, though she acknowledged during a recent in-

terview that she had been doing more blogging, meeting people and experimenting than exploring.

"I should stress that it's probably the most fun I've had in a long time," she added with a huge smile.

McGroarty goes to sleep at about midnight or 1 a.m., she says, and wakes up at about 7 a.m., generally to do some blogging. She posts on her personal Facebook page and the museum's, adds to the blog she works on and tweets out scientific facts she's recently learned.

There are also activities planned by the museum—such as learning about chemistry in a science lab with schoolchildren—and interviews with the dozens of news organizations. She moved in Oct. 20.

She has plenty of to-do's on her list, many written in erasable marker on the inside door of her cube.

There are awesome-sounding tasks like "run the model trains in my pajamas" and "moonwalk around Apollo 8," but the last item—and clearly the most important one to her—on the list is in huge letters. It says, merely, "be transformed."



Kate McGroarty updates a blog from her cube display at the Museum of Science and Industry.  
BRIAN J. MOROWCZYNSKI PHOTO FOR REDEYE

I love the whole industry."

For Stevens, the biggest problem has been keeping in touch with his girlfriend, who he admits "wasn't thrilled" that he'd be gone so long. But they set up a Skype-and-texting-centric schedule that helped.

McGroarty has her own set of challenges, living in the figurative and sometimes literal fishbowl in the museum in Hyde Park. Though she says she hasn't had many problems, some people have rapped on the plastic walls of her "cube" in the museum to get her attention.

They sometimes try, consciously or unconsciously, to get her to reveal personal information about herself in the museum's blog, Facebook and Twitter accounts. But McGroarty remains overwhelmingly positive, calling any such hiccups isolated instances.

"We're learning how to navigate those situations. I think I've been very very lucky," she says. "I'm having an amazing experience and I wouldn't change it for the world. 'I've always been somebody who's up for trying new things.'"

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# Interim schools chief's task: Find replacement

## Daley touts administrator's varied career experience

### Chicago Tribune

In one of his last major appointments, Mayor Daley on Tuesday appointed Terry Mazany, head of the Chicago Community Trust, as interim chief of the city's schools.

Mazany is a former school administrator in Oakland, Calif., and Detroit. As director and senior program officer for the Community Trust's Education Initiative, he led a \$50 million, five-year effort to improve Chicago schools, according to the Trust's website.

Daley highlighted Mazany's dual background in business as well as education.

"He brings managerial skills as well as experience in education to the job," Daley said in announcing the appointment.

Mazany said he has no interest in taking the position permanently, and Daley said Mazany's top priority will be finding a new chief education officer.

Mazany said he will be taking the interim job for \$1, and considered himself on loan from the Community Trust, which will continue to pay his Trust salary.

Mazany is the fourth CEO appointed by Daley since he took control of schools in 1995.

His first chief, Paul Vallas, stepped down after six years at the helm. Arne Duncan stayed from 2001 until December 2008, when he was named U.S. Secretary of Education by President Obama.



Terry Mazany (left), president and CEO of the Chicago Community Trust, answers questions Tuesday at a news conference announcing his appointment as interim chief education officer of Chicago Public Schools. **JOSÉ M. OSORIO/TRIBUNE**

Ron Huberman, the fourth appointment, lasted just under two years, but was a casualty of Daley's decision not to run for re-election. Huberman announced Nov. 3 that he would leave his \$230,000-a-year job at the end of the month to pursue other

job opportunities, after making clear that he didn't intend to work for a different administration.

The district is the third largest in the nation, with a \$6.57 billion budget, 41,815 employees, 402,000 students and about 667 schools.

## Teen sentenced to 120 years in couple's slayings

A 19-year-old Hammond, Ind., teenager was sentenced Tuesday to 120 years in prison in connection with the 2009 slayings of the parents of former CLTV talk-show host Garrard McClendon. The teen's co-defendant is set to be sentenced Thursday.

## First lady's aide stepping down

Chicago attorney Susan Sher, the top aide to first lady Michelle Obama, is leaving the White House staff after Jan. 1 and returning home, Obama's office announced Tuesday.

## Alert: Fires in Lakeview, Roscoe Village

Police sent out an alert Tuesday after at least four fires were set in trash cans in the Lakeview and Roscoe Village neighborhoods. The fires, which first were set early in October, have spread to nearby garages, a building and a vehicle.

## Board OKs \$55.3M jail settlement

The Cook County Board on Tuesday approved a \$55.3 million settlement in a class-action civil lawsuit alleging that thousands of inmates at the county jail were improperly strip searched.

## Board member on prez: Shut up

A Cook County Board commissioner on Tuesday took a shot at incoming President Toni Preckwinkle regarding the testy transition from President Todd Stroger. "Listen, shut up and get over here and try to do some work," said Commissioner William Beavers (D-Chicago).

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# Confusion over Cubs' Wrigley funding plan

### Chicago Tribune

The day started Tuesday with the Cubs touting the support of Chicago area labor officials for the team's Wrigley Field renovation plan, but by afternoon key lawmakers in Springfield appeared to be backing away from the proposal amid some contradictory statements.

House Speaker Michael Madigan (D-Chicago) told reporters in Springfield on Tuesday afternoon that the team's owners, the Ricketts family, with-

drew their proposal to finance a \$200 million stadium renovation with a state bond sale that would be repaid with the anticipated growth in the 12 percent amusement tax levied on tickets sold at Wrigley Field.

A spokesman for the Ricketts family denied that the family had scrapped its amusement-tax plan.

"Nothing has changed, and we are hard at work," said Dennis Cullerton, the family's spokesman.

Madigan's remark came shortly after Cubs

Chairman Tom Ricketts pushed the proposal at a news conference at Wrigley, surrounded by labor officials who said the project would create badly needed construction jobs in Chicago.

State Sen. John Cullerton, who has said he would sponsor legislation for the bond deal, said he is open to different ways to fund the Wrigley renovations, after Mayor Daley shot down the family's financing plan because it would deprive the city of future revenues.





### Beatles on iTunes

It's been a long and winding road, but the Beatles finally are available on iTunes. The legendary pop group's 13 albums can now be downloaded through the world's No. 1 digital music retailer, Apple said Tuesday.

### Black Friday boost?

**1** Cooler weather and clear skies should help boost U.S. sales on Black Friday, the post-Thanksgiving kick-off to the holiday shopping season, consulting firm Planalytics Inc. said Tuesday.

### Possible link to Holloway case

**2** A jawbone reportedly found on an Aruban beach will undergo forensic testing to determine whether it is human and, if so, whether it belongs to Alabama teenager Natalee Holloway, last seen on the island in 2005, authorities said Tuesday.

### Ohio St. buildings evacuated

**3** Four buildings on the Ohio State University campus were evacuated Tuesday after the FBI's Columbus, Ohio, bureau notified the university it had received an anonymous message that explosives were placed in the buildings, authorities said.

### Boy killed by pack of dogs

**4** Authorities in Phenix City, Ala., are investigating the death of a 5-year-old boy who was attacked in his yard by a pack of up to a dozen dogs. An autopsy was to be conducted Tuesday and charges were pending.

### Prosecutors rest case in Smart trial

**5** Prosecutors rested their case Tuesday in the federal trial of the self-professed prophet accused of kidnapping Utah teen Elizabeth Smart. A total of 10 witnesses testified during the government's case, including Smart.



Kate Middleton and Prince William  
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# He put a ring on it

**6** **LONDON** Britain's Prince William will marry his long-term girlfriend, Kate Middleton, next year after an on-off courtship that has lasted nearly a decade.

The elder son of heir-to-the-throne Prince Charles and the late Princess Diana proposed to Middleton with the large blue oval sapphire and diamond engagement ring his mother once wore as a 19-year-old fiancée of a future British king.

"It's very special to me," William told reporters Tuesday. "It's my way of making sure my mother didn't miss out on today and the excitement, and the fact we are going to spend the rest of our lives together."

### HISTORY LESSON

The late Princess Diana, who was said to be the world's most photographed woman during her lifetime, was divorced from Charles in 1996 and died a year later in a car crash after a high-speed chase through Paris with the paparazzi in hot pursuit.

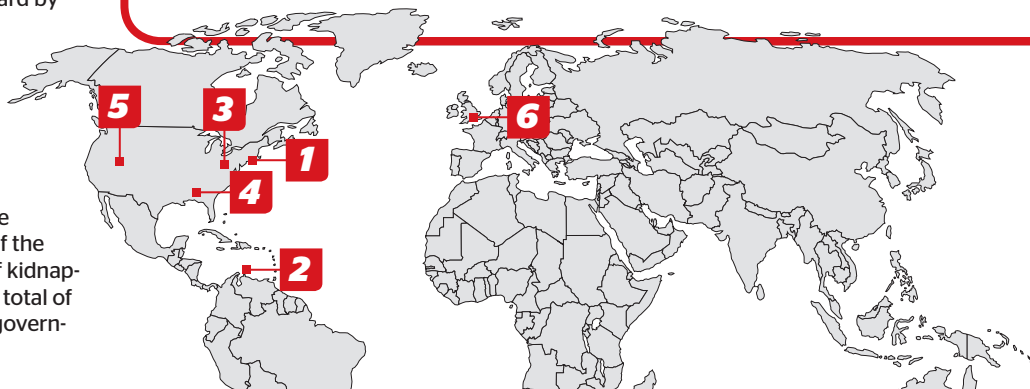
The marriage of William and Middleton, both 28, will take place in the spring or summer of 2011, 30 years after Charles' spectacular but ultimately ill-fated wedding to Diana.

"I didn't realize it was a race, otherwise I would have been a lot quicker. But also the

timing is right now, we're both very, very happy, and I'm very glad that I have done it," William told reporters at a press appearance in London as the beaming couple posed together, arm-in-arm for the world press.

Middleton now will have to get used to the huge media attention that her role will attract, but she looked calm as she appeared with William, blinking from the glittering flashbulbs of the massed ranks of photographers.

"It's quite a daunting prospect, but hopefully I'll take it in my stride," she said of becoming a royal. "William's a great teacher so he'll be able to help me along the way."



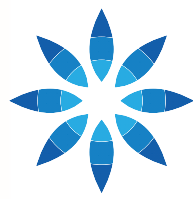
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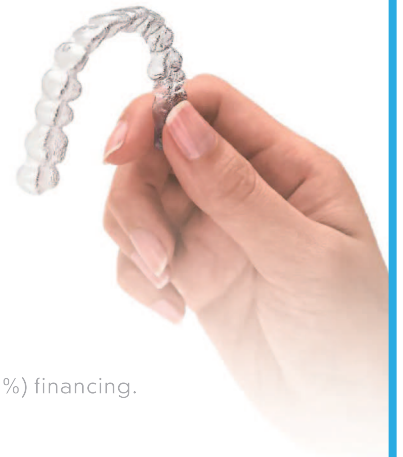
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# Divided they live

**Rival college football fans-turned-live-in-couples can have rocky Saturday afternoons**

**By Ryan Smith** | FOR REDEYE

Ashley Orlor was in full-on pout mode.

The hard-core Wolverines fan was so upset with the gloating smile on her Spartans-loving boyfriend's face in the waning moments of Michigan's 31-17 loss to Michigan State earlier this season, Orlor scooted to the other end of the Michigan Stadium bleachers.

"I was like, 'Don't even talk to me right now,' because I was so mad," said Orlor, 27. "I was expecting a good game, and we got beat bad, and Matt [Casby, her boyfriend] was over there giving me the 'Ha, we won' look on his face."

It wasn't until later that night, after a seemingly endless drive from Ann Arbor to Chicago, that the couple made up.

"It was bad," Orlor said. "I just don't think we can watch these games together."

Love may conquer all, as the saying goes, but just barely for Orlor and Casby. That's because the devoted couple of five years, both attorneys who share an apartment in Uptown, are the modern-day Big-Ten version of Romeo and Juliet. Instead of the family conflicts of the Montagues and Capulets, it's the ties to their respective in-state college rivals that come between them.

"Things can definitely get intense during football season," said Casby, 29.

The same is true for Michigan grad Matt Pauli, 37, and Iowa alum Lory Zars, 33, of the Gold Coast. Even though their schools aren't natural rivals, it gets "difficult" between them when the Wolverines and Hawkeyes meet.

"It's a great party, but we do hate each other during the games," Pauli said. "It is tough to watch them together as we are cheering against each other."

Orlor and Casby met on neutral territory while attending law school at Loyola in 2005. They'd already been dating a couple of weeks

before their college allegiances were revealed.

"I remember thinking, 'Oh no, I can't believe I like this guy and he went to State,'" Orlor said. "I was like 'all my friends from Michigan would kill me right now!'"

It was easy to avoid their football conflict during the first few years of their relationship when they lived in separate apartments.

On Saturday afternoon game days, Casby often would hang out at Michigan State bars or travel back to East Lansing to watch his team. Orlor would head to Ann Arbor or watch Michigan games with friends.

The first time they watched the annual Michigan State-Michigan football game together was in fall 2007, and it was a "disaster," they said.

MSU seemed to have the game in hand, 24-14, near the end of the second half, so Casby began to taunt Orlor. Orlor responded by walking out of the Buffalo Wild Wings in Lincoln Park in disgust, ignoring Casby's texts and phone calls all the way home. She also missed the Wolverines' 28-24 comeback win.

"I'm usually the fan who never misses the game, and it made me so mad that he made me miss the rest of the game," Orlor said. "We decided after that that we wouldn't watch the games together."

When the couple moved in together in 2008, being apart on Saturdays became more difficult, so they set up some ground rules.

If they watch their teams' games at home, they go into separate rooms. If one wants to watch at a sports bar, the other will stay at home or go elsewhere.

Pauli and Zars also watch their teams' games separately if they're on at the same time, but if they're on a road trip to see a game, Pauli brings a satellite dish. If the couple is in Ann Arbor, he can put on the Iowa game for his

**Ashley Orlor  
and Matt Casby**  
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girlfriend and vice-versa.

The gamesmanship between Orlor and Casby sometimes extends into the domestic realm as well. They own a Michigan-Michigan State "House Divided" flag that is rarely displayed because they can't agree on whose team should be on top.

"We keep going back and forth. Like we'll hang it up and then one of us will come in and it's been turned over. And then the other one comes in and it's been switched back the other way," Orlor said. "It's an ongoing battle."

And Casby said he gets suspicious when he

discovers blue rugs on their apartment floor.

"I'll be thinking, 'Is she doing this to slight me or something?'" he said. "So I might respond by bringing in a green hand towel to make things fair and balanced."

But those games are mostly for fun, the couple insist.

And despite their rivalry, they share at least one piece of common ground in all things college football, Casby said: "We have a mutual hate for Ohio State and love to see them lose all the time."

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—Ashley Orlor

“ Things can definitely get intense during football season ”

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## Wildcats not going to ‘L’

As recently as Monday, the plan remained to have Northwestern players and coaches to take the “L” from Evanston to Wrigley Field for Saturday’s game.

But that has been scuttled, with NU coach Pat Fitzgerald saying Tuesday: “Some logistics did not get ironed out in time. We’re going to take the bus. We’ll stick with our normal routine.” **TRIBUNE**

When RedEye CTA reporter **Tracy Swartz** (below) heard that Northwestern players wouldn’t be taking the “L” to Wrigley on Saturday, her imagination kicked into high gear. Here are her top three reasons why the Wildcats won’t ride the “L.” **READ TRACY’S “GOING PUBLIC” BLOG AT [REDEYETCHICAGO.COM/GOINGPUBLIC](http://REDEYETCHICAGO.COM/GOINGPUBLIC).**



**1** The CTA holiday train will be on the Purple Line that day and Northwestern didn’t want to be confused with elves.

**2** They were afraid the “L” would jinx them.

**3** It usually takes them an hour or so to get rolling anyway.

## Can’t beat Wrigley football

As Wrigley Field prepares to host its first college football game since 1938, the buzz around town is rapidly approaching a full-on frenzy. For those of you lucky enough to attend, you’ll be treated to a spectacle only Wrigley could provide. Here are the Top Ten Things that Make Football at Wrigley Unique.



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**10** Wrigley’s football configuration turns it into a shoebox. Appropriate considering the rotting corpse of Illinois’ season stinks like an old pair of Nikes.

**9 Wrigleyville** For a football game, it’ll be like Mardi Gras had sex with Carnival and produced inebriated purple, blue and orange offspring.

**8 Rooftops** Already an iconic part of Wrigley’s landscape, the rooftops teeming with Illini and Wildcats fans will feature prominently in showcasing this event.

**7 Cash cow** This little gimmick may be a moneymaking machine now. Abuse it, and the novelty will wear off faster than you can say Crystal Pepsi.

**6 Souvenirs** No net behind the east goal post means footballs are up for grabs in the stands. Can’t wait to see bleacher bums turn this into a battle royale.

**5 Danger zone** With the east end zone a foot away from a padded brick wall, players might have to decide between concussed glory and clear-headed failure.

**4 Instant classic** The “I was there factor.” I hope everyone in the stands grasps the enormity of this rare event and treats it as such.

**3 Personality** It may be tiny. It may be antiquated. But the Friendly Confines offer more personality than the cavernous monstrosities commonplace today.

**2 Tradition** With more than 250 years of football history between Northwestern and Illinois, Wrigley provides the perfect backdrop.

**1 History** Wrigley once was the Mecca of football. Playing on the same field where the Galloping Ghost and Bronco Nagurski once roamed is one hell of an honor.

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<b>2</b> How can the Blackhawks turn the tables and beat Edmonton at home?	You can't beat a Canadian. They have universal health care. At best, you can bruise them.	Same answer as always: Flying V, baby.	I have an idea. Let's try to put the puck in the goal more times than they do. For the whole game!	Fundamentals: Shoot the puck where the goalie isn't as much as possible.	Stick Ernest in a Hawks jersey and let him loose. I hear he's a great athlete!
<b>3</b> What's the worst part about late, West Coast Bulls and Blackhawks games?	Someone else is keeping Jo Noah up.	Pregame doesn't start until 11. I'm not talking about the shoot-around, by the way.	Having to see any number of Kardashians right before bedtime.	The Sox signal has no snooze button, as a super-fan never rests.	That I will be tired the next day when waking up to train my clients.
<b>4</b> How do you feel about Wrigley Field's marquee being painted purple?	Hmm, I thought blue is the color of a toilet bowl.	I love it! About time someone gave Prince the credit he so duly deserves. Wait ... WHAT?	If a coat of Valspar brings in enough money to snag a decent first baseman, I'd paint it myself.	It's the perfect symbolic color of Cubs fans holding their breath waiting for a World Series win.	Ugh! I-L-L baby. Orange would have been the better color!
<b>5</b> What would it mean if LeBron James is named Time's Person of the Year?	That he's sharing the honor. We all know LeBron can't do it alone.	No big deal. He already won "Most likely to completely gut a city."	"Person of the Year" is generally the most annoying person of the previous year. So, yeah.	Time magazine readership would plummet in Cleveland.	Wouldn't that have to be Time's three people of the year? LeBron, Dwyane, Bosh. Aren't they a package deal?

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The Bulls' Derrick Rose (center) shoots over Luis Scola (left) and Brad Miller of Houston on Tuesday. The Bulls won, 95-92, and Rose came away with a game-high 33 points. GETTY IMAGES

**BULLS 95, HOUSTON 92**

## No problem in Houston

Anyone recently spending time with Tom Thibodeau wouldn't know there are games remaining on this road trip because the Bulls' coach has taken the one-game-at-a-time mantra to a level where even clichés might blush.

Regardless, that philosophy served the Bulls well Tuesday night as they began a season-long, seven-game trip with a gritty 95-92 victory over the Rockets at Toyota Center.

And for all the forgettable moments this annual extended November trip has created over the years, Derrick Rose offered several unforgettable ones in a dominant fourth quarter.

Rose scored 17 of his game-high 33 points in the fourth, including 14 in an 18-0 run to begin the quarter that turned the game's momentum. That torrid stretch featured three

3-pointers and one conventional three-point play.

The Rockets went the first 5 minutes, 14 seconds of the quarter without scoring before Brad Miller, who had 21, scored five straight points to make it 84-80.

But Luol Deng, who struggled on a 6-for-21 night, scored and also took a charge from Kyle Lowry, setting up Kyle Korver's 3-pointer with 4:31 remaining.

Surprisingly, Joakim Noah sat for the first 8:39 of the fourth and the Rockets' interior, led by Luis Scola's 27 points, kept hammering away. With Noah back, Miller's baseline jumper made it 89-86 with 1:09 left.

Noah calmly dropped two free throws with 22.2 seconds left. Scola scored and the Rockets intentionally fouled Deng, who sank two more free throws with 13.2 seconds left.

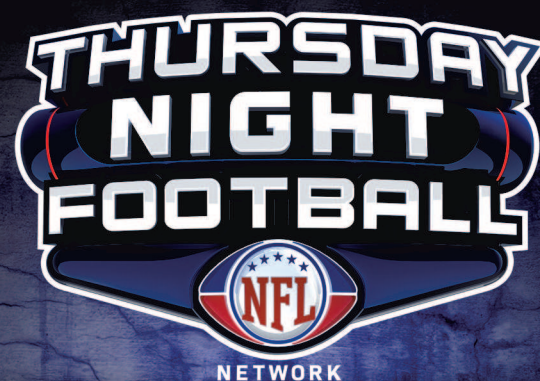
» Every Bears player appeared to be practicing Tuesday as the team began on-field preparation for Thursday's game at Miami. Center Olin Kreutz seemed fine coming off a hamstring injury, while receiver Johnny Knox's ankle injury didn't look like much of a factor.

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» Bradley 66, N. Illinois 63  
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# Draft picks

## Watch your back, beer! Wine and spirits are taking over taps

By Lisa Arnett

About two years ago on Hubbard Street, a tiny bar named Dirty Martini caught plenty of attention for putting vodka on draft for its namesake martinis. The bar didn't last long, but the practice of using a draft system to pour wine or spirits is just starting to gain momentum in Chicago. We looked to pioneering bar and restaurant owners to find out why it has staying power.



Jameson on tap at Boiler Room  
METROMIX FILE

### The price factor

When Jerrod and RJ Melman open French bistro **Paris Club** (59 W. Hubbard St.) in January, they plan to have three wines—one red, one white and one sparkling—on tap. "If you take something out of the bottle format, you can get it in a bigger quantity and you can offer some great stuff at a reasonable price," Jerrod says. This isn't the brothers' first foray into using taps for more than just beer. Serving a ready-made cocktail, Hub Punch, on draft has been a signature at River North restaurant **Hub 51** (51 W. Hubbard St. 312-828-0051) since it opened more than two years ago, and this summer, it brought in a draft wine, Innocent Bystander moscato from Australia.



### The fresh factor

Hopleaf owner Michael Roper has had draft wine on his mind for years, planning it as a central feature of his Andersonville pub's expansion project, planned for spring 2011 (5148 N. Clark St. 773-334-9851). "If you go into a restaurant in Italy and you order the *vino de casa*, it is invariably draft, and it is the same in Southern France and Spain," he says. "It is actually a better way of serving glass-pour wine than opening a bottle that then might sit for hours or even days." When pushed through a draft line by a gas such as nitrogen, the wine never comes in contact with spoilers such as oxygen or light.

### The eco factor

"Environmentally, it just doesn't make sense to put [wine] in a glass bottle with a cork if you're just going to, the day that you get that case, be opening it and pouring it," Roper says. Glass bottles take a lot of energy to produce and transport. "Everything about it has a very high carbon imprint, whereas the draft wine, just like draft beer, is more efficient and more eco-friendly," he says.



### The wow factor

When **Boiler Room** (2210 N. California Ave. 773-276-5625) general manager Andy Gould suggested the owners of the Logan Square bar put Jameson on tap, he wasn't thinking about keeping the popular Irish whiskey fresh. He just thought it'd be fun. "There's something cool about putting it on display and getting it to people in a unique way," he says. "It comes out [of the tap] a little bit cool and a little bit aerated." Hard liquor will be pouring through more draft lines in January when the owners of River North sports bar **Bull & Bear** (431 N. Wells St. 312-527-5973) open new sibling bar **Public House** (400 N. State St.). In addition to serve-yourself beer taps that are the bar's claim to fame, similar taps also will pour Patron tequila, Maker's Mark bourbon and Jameson.



Public House taps

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- **Morning Glory** (PG-13) 1:30,4:15,7:00,9:45
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- **Megamind 3D** (PG) 12:45,3:10,5:30,8:10,10:35
- **For Colored Girls** (R) 1:10,4:10,7:10,10:10
- **Red** (PG-13) 1:50,4:40,7:20,9:55
- **Jackass 3** (R) 12:40,5:40,10:40
- **Life as We Know It** (PG-13) 3:00,7:55
- **The Social Network** (PG-13) 1:40,4:35,7:30,10:25

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- **127 Hours** (R) 1:45,2:30,4:10,5:00,7:00,8:00,9:30,10:15
- **Wild Target** (PG-13) 1:55,4:40,7:10,9:45
- **The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest** (R) 1:30,4:45,8:10
- **Fair Game** (PG-13) 1:40,3:45,4:40,9:00,10:00
- **Waiting for Superman** (PG) 1:15,6:30
- **Conviction** (R) 1:50,4:35,7:15,9:55

### CITY NORTH 14 (REGAL)

2600 N. Western Ave.  
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- **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1** (PG-13)  
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- **Tangled** (PG) Advance Tickets Available
- **Burlesque** (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available
- **Les Misérables: 25th Anniversary Live From the O2** (NR) 7:30
- **Megamind 3D** (PG) 12:00,2:30,5:00,7:40
- **Saw 3D** (R) 1:20,3:45,6:20,8:40,10:50
- **Jackass 3D** (R) 10:15 P.M.
- **Unstoppable** (PG-13) 12:10,1:50,2:40,4:30,5:30,7:10,8:15,9:50,10:45
- **Skyline** (PG-13) 12:50,3:30,6:00,8:30,11:00
- **Morning Glory** (PG-13) 1:10,3:50,6:30,9:30
- **Megamind** (PG) 12:30,1:40,3:00,4:10,5:45,6:45,8:10,9:10
- **For Colored Girls** (R) 12:15,1:00,3:15,4:40,7:00,10:10
- **Due Date** (R) (Open captioned) 12:20,8:00
- **Due Date** (R) 2:15,2:50,4:45,5:15,7:30,10:00,10:30
- **Paranormal Activity 2** (R) 12:40,3:40,6:40,9:40
- **The Social Network** (PG-13) 1:30,4:20,7:20,10:20
- **The Town** (R) 10:40

### DAVIS THEATRE (VALUE)

4614 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago  
(773) 784-0893

- **Megamind** (PG) 5:30,7:30,9:30
- **Due Date** (R) 5:45,7:45,9:45
- **Conviction** (R) 5:15,7:40,9:50
- **The Social Network** (PG-13) 5:00,7:30,10:00

### FORD CITY 14 (AMC)

322 E. Illinois Street, Chicago  
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- **Unstoppable** (PG-13) ♦ 10:55,12:00,1:15,2:25,3:40,5:00,6:00,7:25,8:20,9:45,10:40
- **Skyline** (PG-13) 10:30,12:05,1:05,2:40,3:35,5:10,6:05,7:40,8:40,10:10
- **Megamind** (PG) 10:20,12:00,12:50,2:15,3:20,4:40,5:50,7:35,8:20,10:05
- **Due Date** (R) 11:30,2:05,4:35,7:10,9:30
- **Megamind 3D** (PG) ♦ 11:10,1:40,4:10,6:40,9:25
- **For Colored Girls** (R) 10:00,11:00,12:00,1:00,1:30,2:00,3:00,4:00,4:30,5:00,6:00,7:00,7:30,8:00,9:00,10:00
- **Paranormal Activity 2** (R) 10:50,1:10,3:30,5:45,8:05,10:15
- **Saw: The Final Chapter** (R) 10:20,12:35,2:50,5:05,7:20,9:40

### GENE SISKEL FILM CENTER

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- **Room in Rome** (NR) 6:00,8:15
- **The Adventures of Elmo in Grouchland** (G) 6:15 P.M.
- **The Freebie** (R) 8:00 P.M.

### LOGAN THEATRE

2646 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago  
(773) 252-0628

- **Jackass 3** (R) 1:00,2:50,4:40,6:30,8:15,10:15
- **Secretariat** (PG) 1:40,4:10,7:00,9:40
- **It's Kind of a Funny Story** (PG-13) 1:25,3:35,5:45,7:50,10:10
- **Inception** (PG-13) 1:45,4:30,7:20,10:05

### MUSIC BOX

3733 N. Southport, Chicago  
(773) 871-6604

- **Inside Job** (PG-13) 4:30,7:00,9:30
- **Vision: From the Life of Hildegard von Bingen** (NR) 5:00,7:20,9:40

### PIPERS ALLEY (AMC)

1608 N. Wells, Chicago  
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- **AMC Independent Cool It** (PG) 1:15,3:30,5:40,7:50
- **AMC Independent Four Lions** (R) 1:20,3:40,6:00,8:20
- **AMC Independent Golmaal 3** (NR) 4:05 P.M.
- **AMC Independent Nowhere Boy** (R) 1:30 P.M.
- **AMC Independent Action Replay** (NR) 1:45,7:00
- **AMC Independent You Will Meet a Tall Dark Stranger** (R) 4:40 P.M.

### RIVER EAST 21 (AMC)

322 E. Illinois Street, Chicago  
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- **Les Misérables: 25th Anniversary** (NR) ♦ 7:30 P.M.
- **AMC Independent Fair Game** (PG-13) 11:50,5:40,10:40
- **Megamind 3D** (PG) 12:05,2:30,5:00,7:30
- **Unstoppable** (PG-13) ♦ 11:05,12:50,1:50,3:35,4:35,6:20,7:20,8:55,9:55
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- **Megamind** (PG) 11:10,1:50,4:30,7:00,9:45
- **Morning Glory** (PG-13) 11:00,12:45,1:45,3:25,4:25,7:15,10:00
- **Due Date** (R) ♦ 12:55,2:55,3:40,6:10,8:10,8:40
- **Megamind 3D** (PG) 12:10,12:50,2:50,3:30,5:30,9:40
- **Saw 3D** (R) 11:45,2:10,4:45,7:05,9:45
- **For Colored Girls** (R) ♦ 11:15,1:20,2:20,4:30,5:30,7:40,8:40,10:50
- **Paranormal Activity 2** (R) ♦ 11:30,2:00,4:40
- **AMC Independent Hereafter** (PG-13) 2:05,5:10,8:15
- **Jackass 3D** (R) 8:00,10:30
- **Red** (PG-13) 11:35,5:15
- **AMC Independent Waiting for Superman** (PG) 11:25 A.M.
- **The Social Network** (PG-13) 2:30,8:30
- **The Town** (R) 11:55,6:00

### SHOWPLACE VILLAGE CROSSING (AMC)

7000 Carpenter Rd., Chicago  
(800) 326-3264 #2309

- **AMC Independent Fair Game** (PG-13) 10:45,1:25,4:05,6:55,9:40
- **Unstoppable** (PG-13) 10:00,11:35,12:35,2:05,3:05,4:35,5:35,7:15,8:15,10:05,10:45
- **Skyline** (PG-13) 10:05,11:05,12:45,1:45,3:25,4:25,6:10,7:10,9:00,10:00
- **Megamind** (PG) 10:40,12:00,1:20,2:40,4:00,5:20,8:00,10:40
- **Morning Glory** (PG-13) 11:25,12:25,2:10,3:10,4:50,5:50,7:30,8:30,10:10,11:00
- **Due Date** (R) 10:15,11:30,2:00,4:30,5:55,7:00,8:35,9:30,10:50
- **Megamind 3D** (PG) 10:00,12:40,3:20,6:00
- **For Colored Girls** (R) 10:10,1:30,4:45,7:55,10:55
- **Megamind: An IMAX 3D Experience** (PG) 11:20,2:00,4:40,7:20,9:50
- **Saw 3D** (R) 10:20,12:55,3:15,5:45,8:10,10:35
- **Paranormal Activity 2** (R) 7:45,10:15
- **AMC Independent Conviction** (R) 10:05,1:05,4:00,7:00,10:20
- **AMC Independent Hereafter** (PG-13) 3:00 P.M.
- **Jackass 3D** (R) 8:40 P.M.
- **Red** (PG-13) 10:55,1:40,4:20,7:05,9:45
- **Life as We Know It** (PG-13) 5:00 P.M.
- **Secretariat** (PG) 10:50,1:50
- **AMC Independent Waiting for Superman** (PG) 12:30 P.M.
- **The Social Network** (PG-13) 6:30,9:20

### WEBSTER PLACE 11 (REGAL)

1471 W. Webster Ave., Chicago  
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- **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1** (PG-13)  
Advance Tickets Available
- **Burlesque** (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available
- **Megamind 3D** (PG) 12:05,2:30,5:00,7:30
- **Megamind** (PG) 1:30,4:00,6:30,9:00
- **Unstoppable** (PG-13) 12:30,2:50,5:20,7:50,10:10
- **Skyline** (PG-13) 1:20,3:45,6:00,8:15,10:30
- **Morning Glory** (PG-13) 12:15,2:00,2:40,4:40,5:10,7:10,7:40,9:40,10:20
- **Due Date** (R) 12:00,2:15,3:30,4:30,5:45,7:00,8:00,9:15,10:15
- **The Social Network** (PG-13) 1:00,4:10,7:15,10:00
- **Hereafter** (PG-13) 12:40,3:40
- **Jackass 3D** (R) 9:50 P.M.
- **Red** (PG-13) 1:40,4:20,7:20,10:10
- **Les Misérables: 25th Anniversary Live From the O2** (NR) 7:30

### SHOWPLACE GALEWOOD 14 (AMC)

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- **Unstoppable** (PG-13) 1:45,2:35,4:15,5:30,7:00,8:00,9:45,10:35
- **Morning Glory** (PG-13) 1:10,4:10,7:05,10:00
- **Skyline** (PG-13) 1:00,2:10,3:30,4:40,5:55,7:10,8:20,9:40,10:40
- **Megamind** (PG) 1:30,3:15,4:00,5:45,6:30,8:05,9:00,10:30
- **Due Date** (R) 1:35,4:05,6:45,9:05
- **Megamind 3D** (PG) 2:15,4:45,7:15,9:35
- **For Colored Girls** (R) 1:15,2:00,2:45,4:30,5:15,6:00,7:45,8:30,9:15,10:45
- **Paranormal Activity 2** (R) 1:40,4:20,7:25,9:55
- **Saw: The Final Chapter** (R) 1:05,3:20,5:35,7:50,10:05

### SHOWPLACE CICERO 14 (AMC)

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- **Unstoppable** (PG-13) 12:45,2:05,3:15,4:30,5:45,7:05,8:15,9:30,10:35
- **Morning Glory** (PG-13) 12:25,2:45,5:10,7:40,10:10
- **Skyline** (PG-13) 12:40,3:10,5:40,8:15,10:45
- **Megamind** (PG) 12:30,1:15,2:45,3:30,5:00,5:50,7:30,8:10,9:45,10:30
- **Due Date** (R) 1:30,3:45,6:00,8:30,10:40
- **Megamind 3D** (PG) 2:00,4:15,6:30
- **For Colored Girls** (R) 12:20,1:20,2:20,3:20,4:20,5:20,6:20,7:20,8:20,9:20,10:20
- **Paranormal Activity 2** (R) 2:10,4:40,6:50,9:15
- **Saw: The Final Chapter** (R) 1:40,4:00,6:15,8:40
- **AMC Independent The Salvation Poem** (PG-13) 1:00,3:00,5:00,7:00,9:00

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- **Les Misérables: 25th Anniversary Live From the O2** (NR) ♦ 7:30 P.M.
- **Skyline** (PG-13) ♦ 1:40,4:45,7:20,9:55
- **Unstoppable** (PG-13) ♦ 12:40,2:00,3:30,4:50,6:30,9:10
- **Unstoppable** (PG-13) ♦ 7:40,10:20
- **Morning Glory** (PG-13) ♦ 2:30,5:00,7:45,10:30
- **Megamind 3D** (PG) ♦ 12:15,1:50,2:45,4:15,5:20,6:40,9:30
- **Due Date** (R) ♦ 12:30,3:20 P.M.
- **Due Date** (R) ♦ 2:10,4:40
- **Due Date** (R) ♦ 7:10,9:45
- **Fair Game** (PG-13) ♦ 1:10,4:10,7:15,10:00
- **For Colored Girls** (R) ♦ 12:20,1:00,1:30,3:30,4:00,4:40,4:30,7:00,7:30,10:10,10:40
- **For Colored Girls** (R) ♦ 6:00,8:40
- **Saw 3D** (R) 12:50,3:40,6:15,8:30
- **Paranormal Activity 2** (R) 7:50,10:15
- **Jackass 3D** (R) 1:20,3:50
- **Red** (PG-13) 2:15,5:15,8:10,10:45
- **The Social Network** (PG-13) 2:20,5:10,8:00,10:50

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- **Due Date** (R) ♦ **VIP Premium 21+** 12:30 P.M.
- **For Colored Girls** (R) ♦ **VIP Premium 21+** 1:00,3:00,4:00,7:00,10:10

### OAK PARK LAKE CINEMAS (CLASSIC)

1022 Lake Street, Oak Park  
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- **Morning Glory** (PG-13) ♦ 12:15,2:40,5:05,7:30,9:55
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10:30 a.m. Sat.: Dim sum cooking class. Learn how to make summer rolls, satay, shrimp dumplings and more. Includes lunch, Asian cocktail-making demonstrations, recipe cards and a \$10 Ben Pao gift certificate. \$35. RSVP recommended; 52 W. Illinois St. 312-222-1888.

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### \* FEAST

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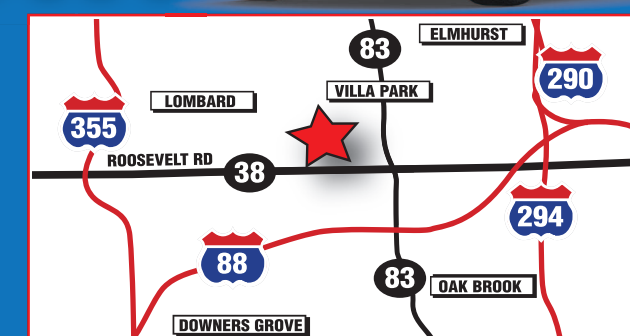
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**This week: Which is the superior style of pizza?**

**THIN CRUST**  
I know this is Chicago and Chicagoans don't go for that thin stuff, but I know pizza. I grew up on the East Coast and it's the amazing combination of the perfectly spiced sauce, the ideal blend of cheese and that just-right doughy/crunchy foldable crust that makes a slice memorable. Your dinner should hang off the edge of the plate, not be 5 feet tall with sauce covering the toppings. The combination of cheese, dough, sauce and toppings you have here is fine and all, but it's not pizza. I don't mean to insult, only to educate.  
—SCOTT KLEINBERG

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5 THINGS WE'RE LOVING THIS WEEK



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**2** The one-of-a-kind British suicide bomber comedy **"Four Lions."** Degree of difficulty: High. Laugh factor: Higher. Chances of making our year-end Top 10: Significant. —MATT PAIS

**3** The **sweet cards and gifts** at Wicker Park boutique Paper Doll (2048 W. Division St.), which recently celebrated its 10th anniversary in business. —LISA ARNETT

**4** **Cheeseburger spring rolls** (\$7) at Grami (160 E. Grand Ave.). This fried appetizer looks ordinary on the outside, but the inside of this delicious hybrid is oozing with hamburger and American cheese. —LINDA HAYS

**5** **Leadway Bar and Gallery** (5233 N. Damen Ave.), a hidden gem of a pub in Lincoln Square. We can't believe this laid-back, non-pretentiously artsy spot isn't filled to the gills every night. Snag that back room for a holiday party. —LISA BALDE

**JOIN THE RANDOMNESS!**  
What are you loving this week? Log onto **metromix.com** to send us your own Random Acts of Greatness. You might just spot your pick in a future issue.

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<b>COOBAH</b> Half-price bottles of wine; 3423 N. Southport Ave. 773-528-2220.	<b>KROLL'S SOUTH LOOP</b> Half-price bottles of wine; 1736 S. Michigan Ave. 312-235-1400.	<b>O'DONOVAN'S</b> Half-price select bottles of wine; 2100 W. Irving Park Rd. 773-478-2100.	<b>ROSCOE'S TAVERN</b> Half-price bottles of wine; 3356 N. Halsted St. 773-281-3355.
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<b>DIVISION ALE HOUSE</b> Half-price bottles of wine; 1942 W. Division St. 773-384-6886.	<b>MAEVE</b> Half-price bottles of wine; 1325 W. Wrightwood Ave. 773-388-3333.	<b>PITCHFORK FOOD &amp; SALOON</b> Half-price glasses and bottles of wine; 2922 W. Irving Park Rd. 773-866-2010.	<b>THEORY</b> Half-price bottles of wine; 9 W. Hubbard St. 312-644-0004.
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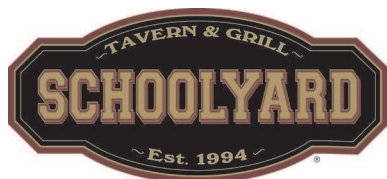
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# 'Like a frozen beach'

## Lo-fi outfit Campfires is more likely to chill you out than cheer you up

Virtually all of local rockers Campfires' songs are drenched in thick layers of noise, with guitars buzzing and crackling. Meanwhile, frontman and band founder Jeff Walls, his voice bristling with static, navigates the crumbled surroundings.

Walls, 26, who records solo under the Campfires name (the project expands to a trio for live performances), discovered a fondness for these scraggly lo-fi recordings as a teenager in Kalamazoo, Mich. Utilizing two boom

boxes, he'd rig a makeshift studio in his parents' basement. Working alone, he'd hit record on one player and lay down a keyboard track. Then he'd play back that tape, adding guitar atop the keyboard as the second machine recorded. By gradually repeating the process, he was able to compose dense mini-symphonies.

"As you went back and forth, the guitars would start to sound a little like My Bloody Valentine," the Logan Square resident said. "When I started recording digitally [as a student at the University of Michigan], it sounded way too clean. So I had to figure out other ways to get back to that [sound]." Seated in Lincoln Square coffee shop **The Grind** (4613 N. Lincoln Ave.), Walls discussed the group's lo-fi aesthetic, playing hooky in high school and why Weezer is dead to him. Kinda.

## PERSONALITY TEST

### CAMPFIRES

**What's the last album you bought?** "Public Service Announcement" by Purling Hiss

**Song you've listened to on repeat recently?** "Crackin' Up" by Bo Diddley

**Song you never want to hear again?** "Any radio jingle ever written."

**Best concert you've seen in the last year?** The Beets [from Brooklyn] and Heavy Times [from Chicago] at a DIY venue

### Did you do a lot of camping growing up?

The bigger thing was to have fires on the beach. Kalamazoo is only 45 minutes away from Lake Michigan, so it was the perfect high school day trip if you were going to cut class. It was enough of a journey that you knew you weren't going to see your parents, but it wasn't so far that it required any planning.

### Were you a bit of a pyromaniac growing up? Setting fire to action figures in the yard and things like that?

No. There were definitely some firework-related near-accidents on the shores of Lake Michigan, but I wouldn't say I was a pyro. We'd set off whatever we could get just across the border [in Indiana], where [the employees] are standing there smoking right next to giant piles of fireworks.

### You've definitely embraced the lo-fi aesthetic. Has there always been a particular feel you've aimed for with the music?

One of the really important things is that it feel really honest and home-made rather than that sort of sterility I get from bigger concert tours. We're aiming more for that basement show sound than an arena show. You won't find us telling an audience to clap on the beat or anything.

### Describe your sound in five words or less.

Fuzzy Kinks rip-off extravaganza.

## FASTFWD

THIS WEEK'S TOP 5 LIVE SHOWS

### 1. Soulive

10 p.m. Fri. at Double Door  
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### 2. Free Energy

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### 3. The Autumn Defense

10 p.m. Sat. at Lincoln Hall  
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### 4. Experience Hendrix

7:30 p.m. Fri. at Star Plaza Theatre  
Robert Randolph and more pay tribute.



this summer.

**New band you don't know personally that deserves to be big?** "Ah, that's a tough one. It's a tie between White Fence and Velvet Davenport."

**Favorite movie ever?** "The Big Lebowski"

**Chicago's best music venue?** The Empty Bottle. "They have the best variety, and their free Mondays are a great way to check out local bands. It always sounds good too. A close second would be the in-stores at Permanent Records."

**A lot of the current lo-fi scene (Wavves, Best Coast, etc.) seems to give off this summer beach vibe. Are there any lyrical themes you found yourself returning to consistently?**

A lot of it is based on the experience of growing up in Michigan [with these] sort of bleak surroundings. It's not this carefree, sunny kind of thing. It's more like a frozen beach.

**Do you have a favorite campfire sing-along?**

"Strangers" by the Kinks. "Lost Highway" by Hank Williams is always a good one too. Sometimes those simple, less-baroque ones are better.

**You mentioned playing Weezer's "Say It Ain't So" over and over again when you first picked up the guitar as a teenager. Are you excited about the upcoming "Blue Album" tour?**

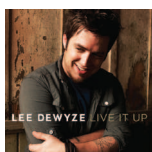
You know, Weezer has been dead to me for a long time. No, I don't actually think that. But it's a totally different thing. The "Blue Album," for me, was something that I held sort of close. I got it when I was 10 or 11 and it was one of the first albums where it felt, like, "This is mine." But once the original bassist [Matt Sharp] left after "Pinkerton," I think Rivers [Cuomo] was sort of unchecked in terms of the personality he exerted on the band.

**You grew up in Kalamazoo and went to the University of Michigan. Do you scowl if somebody passes wearing an Ohio State shirt?**

Last year before the [Michigan-Ohio State] game, I wore my Michigan shirt to work at the Art Institute and this old, 80-year-old volunteer we had walked by and said, "Good school. Bad football team." It was like, "Oh man, this goes so deep!"

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## New releases



**Lee DeWyze**  
"Live It Up"  
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Though Mount Prospect native and reigning "American Idol"

champ Lee DeWyze spends most of his major label debut singing about love both gained ("It's Gotta Be") and lost ("Dear Isabelle"), there are occasional moments that call to mind his whirlwind year. "Things used to be so ordinary," he croons like a lost soul on "Brooklyn Bridge." Even more telling is a question posed to a would-be lover on the album-opening title track: "Would it be rude to ask if I can stay awhile?"

DeWyze, rushing to release this album before the next season of "Idol" debuts, must be keenly aware of the public's increasingly brief attention span. These days, "Idol" winners can expect a stay in the spotlight for about as long as the common house fly's life expectancy. "Live It Up's" array of schlocky soft-rock cuts (the James Blunt-lite of "Beautiful Like You") and sickeningly sweet balladry (lyrics in "Weightless" that flirt with bad high school prose) offer little evidence that the affable DeWyze will experience a different fate.

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**Dark Star Orchestra**, Saturday, Jan. 22 (\$25, 18+) at Vic Theatre.

**The Decemberists, Wye Oak**, Friday, Feb. 4 (\$30, all ages) at Riviera Theatre.

**Escape the Fate**, Sunday, Feb. 20 (\$19, all ages) at Vic Theatre.

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# Nutcracker sweet (and dark)

**Playwrights Phil Klapperich and Jake Minton roll out a revamped 'Nutcracker'**

**By Julia Borcherts**

Phil Klapperich and Jake Minton apparently don't believe in the adage, "if it ain't broke, don't fix it."

Klapperich, 33, a Denver native who co-founded The House Theatre of Chicago in 2000, and Dallas-born Minton, 30, who joined The House in 2002, garnered themselves a Jeff Award nomination with their first playwriting collaboration, "The Nutcracker," in 2007. (Both also have won separate Jeff Awards: Klapperich for co-writing "Wilson Wants It All" and Minton for co-writing "The Sparrow.")

But when The House decided to remount "The Nutcracker"—a dark, musical, fantasy spectacle based on E.T.A. Hoffman's classic tale of a young girl, Clara, who must battle a rat king to save her family—Klapperich and Minton revamped it. We called them to find out why.



**Jake Minton (left) and Phil Klapperich**

**So, why change it?**

**PK:** [In the original production,] the idea of Christmas was sort of secondary to the story we were telling, [and we wanted it to be] more of a central focus.

**What's different?**

**JM:** We switched the ages of Clara and Fritz and made Fritz [into] Clara's much older brother. The essential setup and the kind of tragic beginning is that Fritz has gone off to war. This is the Christmas he's supposed to come home and the family finds out that he's died. So the central question is, "How can you celebrate each other in holiday times despite the sadness?"

**PK:** We really wanted to make a show about Christmas that wasn't all sunshine and snowflakes and candy canes. There's people dealing with tragedy in our play and there's also people having lots of fun in our play. We just try to join those things together.

**JM:** We've added a few more musical numbers, so we've got a lot more "show" in our show. [Laughs] We cut a few characters but we also added a few and then we trimmed the number of actors down, so officially, we've got fewer actors doing a lot more. I'm in the show as well and I'm playing Clara and Fritz's father as well as a very scary rat—well, he wants to be scary but he's really not.

**Many of your plays are based on fairy tales and/or science fiction. Are you inspired by what you read growing up?**

**PK:** I wrote my senior thesis in college on "Mythological Archetypes and Their Presence in the Harry Potter Book Series." [Laughs.] But when we first started The House, our major inspiration wasn't even coming from literary sources as much as, like,



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the movies of Steven Spielberg. Some of the foundational texts of The House are "Back to the Future" and "Star Wars" and "Indiana Jones." That joy and adventure is really what inspired a lot of our early work and, I think, continues to inspire us. We've gotten older and we like stories that make us cry, too,

and so we try to figure out how to tell, like, a time-travel story that's going to rip your heart out but also have awesome robots and stuff in it.

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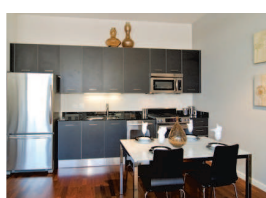
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# CHICAGO LOOP 'RUNWAY'

By Joanna Gustafson

FOR REDEYE

"Project Runway" fans remember Santino Rice (right) for his designs, his abrasive personality and his impressions of Tim Gunn. More recently, however, the Season 2 alum has been traveling across the U.S. with fellow "Runway" survivor Austin Scarlett (Season 1) for their current Lifetime series, "On the Road with Austin and Santino." The designing duo are in Chicago on Wednesday for Fashion at the Block at the Block 37 shops. RedEye caught up with Rice for a phone chat earlier this week to talk about the event, what he loves about Chicago and the dish on "Runway."

## What drew you to Fashion at the Block?

Any time there is chance for a dialogue about personal style and fashion, I'm interested. I think it's important for people to make the effort to dress up. That's super important to the soul and it's necessary even when times are tough.

## Have you been to Chicago before?

Growing up in St. Charles, Mo., coming to Chicago was always so exciting. I really love walking down Michigan Avenue. [I] love just the special it's-very-specific-to-Chicago kind of feeling I get when I walk the streets. Even when it's cold, it's so much fun: the energy and the feel that is created with the people and the buildings and the climate.

## Do you have any favorite Chicago spots?

Shopping is huge; I always find a lot of really great pieces when I come. I will stop into Ikram, which is one of the greatest boutiques in the country. There's also this restaurant called Chalkboard, which I ate at the last time I was in town, that was awesome, amazing. And N9ne, I will stop in there.

## What trends do you like for fall and the holidays?

I don't necessarily follow trends, but I think always a woman's best bet is to purchase a well-fitting garment that is as affordable as they can purchase. It's quality over quantity; you need the quintessential piece to be able to dress up and change with accessories.

## So the key to a great look is the accessories?

Invest in a quality garment and then be trendy with the accessory, that's the best way to go. And don't be afraid to wear the same thing twice! ... You just need to style it differently, whether it's with a jacket, or different jewelry or belt or fun shoes. That's the way to go versus always re-creating your look with something that's not the best quality. If you have the perfect fitting dress that's completely who you are, you'll always be the best dressed in the room.

## Neither you nor Austin won your seasons of "Project Runway" and it all seems to be going OK for you.

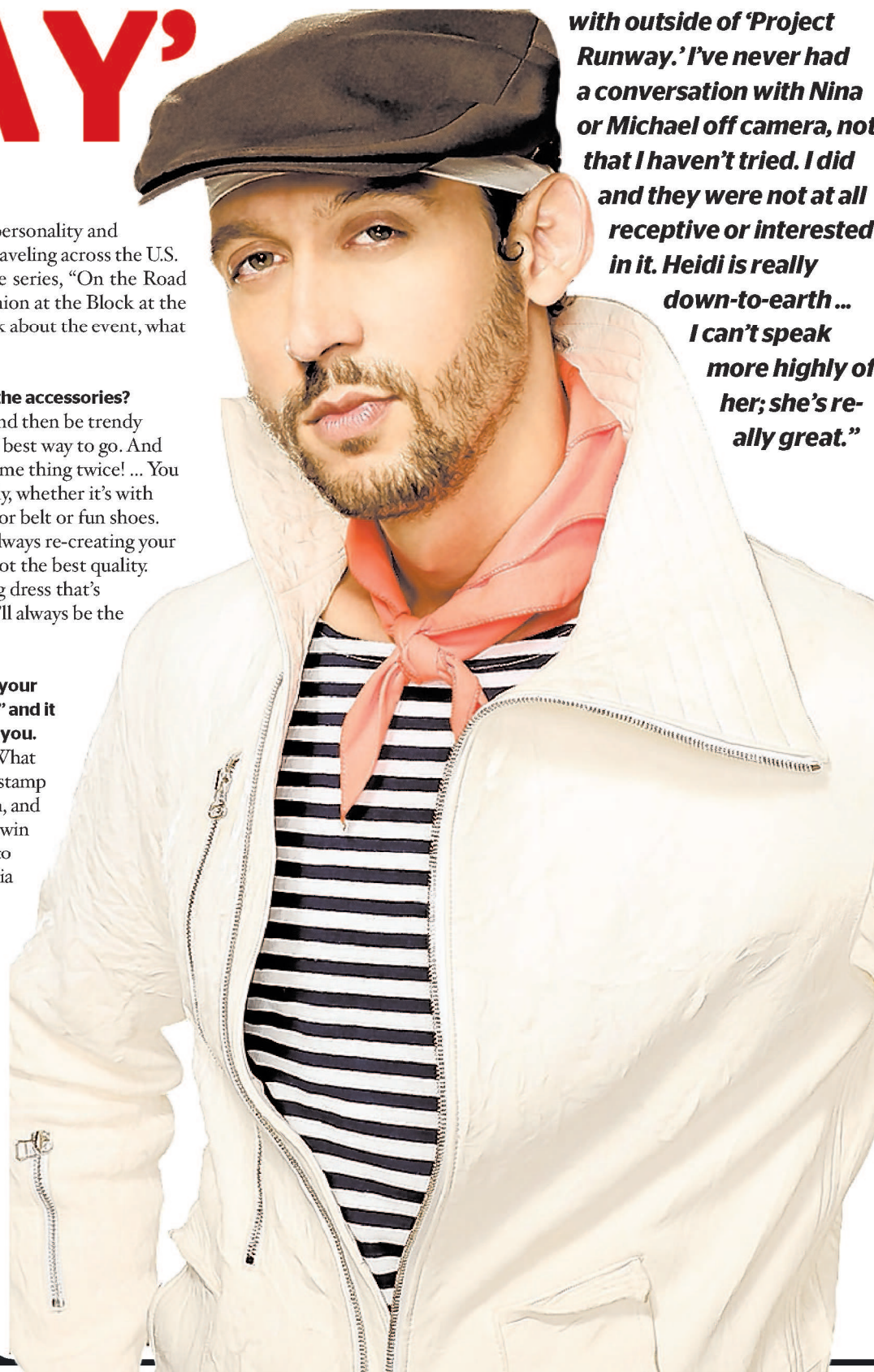
Winning is inconsequential. What matters is you put down your stamp and create work you believe in, and you carry on. I'm glad I didn't win my season. I don't cry myself to sleep every night if Nina Garcia doesn't like my design. Who cares? Plenty of other people like my work. ... When it comes down to it, no I didn't win that show. But I won in life and [in] what it is that I want to do and what I want to accomplish.

JOANNA GUSTAFSON IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR

## 'RUNWAY' RAVES & RANTS

Santino Rice had this to say about "PR" judges Heidi Klum, Michael Kors and Nina Garcia:

**"Heidi is the only person who I actually have a relationship with outside of 'Project Runway.' I've never had a conversation with Nina or Michael off camera, not that I haven't tried. I did and they were not at all receptive or interested in it. Heidi is really down-to-earth... I can't speak more highly of her; she's really great."**



## FASHION AT THE BLOCK

**When:** 5:30-7:30 p.m.

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# Perfect pairings for pumpkin pies



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The traditional Thanksgiving table may vary when it comes to how to prepare the turkey or what side dishes to serve, but it seems one item remains a holiday staple: pumpkin pie.

Although I've given much consideration as to what types of wine to pair with savory items (I like to recommend an off-dry riesling and grenache), I've never really thought about what to serve with pumpkin pie. It's such a shame because I love dessert wines — and pumpkin pie.

Recipes for pumpkin pie usually include warm brown spices such as cinnamon, cloves, nutmeg and vanilla, so I would suggest dessert wines that mirror these flavors without being too overly sweet or cloying.

The key is to find a wine with the same level of spice so it doesn't overpower the delicate creamy texture of the pie. Dark golden or tawny colored selections such as a late harvest muscat or tawny Port come to mind. If the pie is heavy-handed with the spices and is made using molasses or served with vanilla ice cream, then a raisiney, caramel-flavored cream or oloroso Sherry would be the way to go.

No matter what dessert wine you choose, just make sure it is just as sweet as the pie, otherwise the wine will taste sour in comparison.

Here are my top picks to pair with pumpkin pie. Remember to save room for dessert and dessert wine! **REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR ALPANA SINGH IS DIRECTOR OF WINE AND SPIRITS FOR LETTUCE ENTERTAIN YOU ENTERPRISES AND THE HOST OF "CHECK, PLEASE!" ON WTTW. ALPANASINGH.COM**

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### Prairie State Pumpkin Pie Wine

Illinois, \$12

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### Jorge Ordóñez Selección Especial

Malaga Spain, \$15 (half bottle)

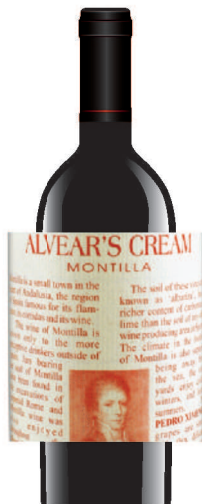
Golden-colored with aromas of fresh peaches, honey and apricots. Great match with pies made with a touch of ginger or not as heavy with the spices.



### Campbell's muscat, Rutherglens

Australia, \$18 (half bottle)

This amber-gold colored selection from Australia is loaded with flavors of brown sugar, toffee, caramel and baking spices. It's a good match for a sweeter pie served with whipped cream.



### Alvear Cream Sherry

Spain, \$14

This is the most intense of the selections featured here, but the raisin, fig and caramel flavors are a good match for a heavily spiced pie served with vanilla ice cream. This sherry could easily pair with pecan pie as well.

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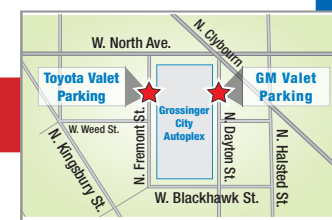


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**Terrible hypothetical song covers that should never, ever be**

By Matt Pals | METROMIX

Gwyneth Paltrow covering Cee Lo Green's fantastically profane "F\*\*\* You" on Tuesday's episode of "Glee" by cleaning it up to a very lame "Forget You"? No thanks. Paltrow's got a good voice and all, but this cover was just a bad idea. Here are a few more covers that should never, ever plague our ears.



Gwyneth Paltrow  
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**Ke\$ha**

"Hallelujah" by Leonard Cohen

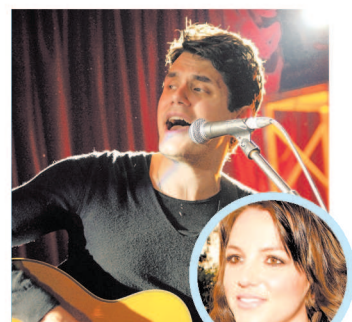
Cohen's heartbreaking classic in a mouth already filled with Jack Daniels? Not so much.



**Miley Cyrus**

"Nuthin' but a 'G' Thang" by Dr. Dre

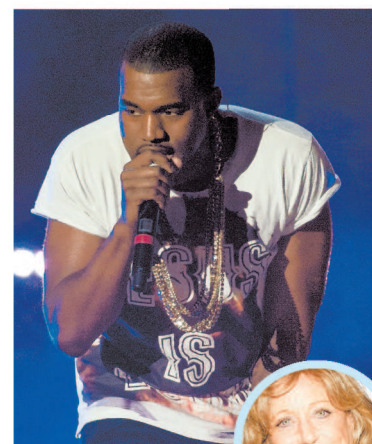
We know she's all about attitude right now, but Dre probably wouldn't care.



**John Mayer**

"Womanizer" by Britney Spears

The singer-guitarist may find it amusingly ironic, but covering Spears would not make anyone think he's less of a d-bag.



**Kanye West**

"It's My Party" by Lesley Gore

The refrain of "and I'll cry if I want to" is perfect for the oft-complaining rapper, but he'd probably just tweet about how much he hates the song the next day.



**Eminem**

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## The Parkers ... are they or aren't they?

Are Tony Parker and Eva Longoria headed for splitsville? The rumor mill is in full effect. TMZ kicked it off Tuesday with a report that Parker filed for divorce at a Texas courthouse Monday. But the gossip site later changed its story, citing Longoria's rep, who said Parker doesn't have a divorce lawyer. Longoria's rep also confirmed to MTV News that Parker has not filed for divorce.



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## Royal bling

Oh, no he didn't. Oh, yes he did! Prince William gave fiancée Kate Middleton his mother's engagement ring—the blue sapphire and diamond-encrusted engagement ring Prince Charles gave Princess Diana, [usatoday.com](http://usatoday.com) reports. Wills reportedly carried the sentimental ring in his backpack for three weeks while “on holiday” in Africa before he proposed in Kenya.

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**Nate Berkus**  
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**Johnny Weir**  
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**Ricky Martin**  
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**Julianne Moore**  
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Out magazine this week released its “Out 100” list, and singer Ricky Martin takes its “Entertainer of the Year” title. The mag names Julianne Moore its “Artist of the Year,” ice skater Johnny Weir its “Diva of the Year” and Chicago native and Oprah protégé Nate Berkus “Stylemaker of the Year.” Other highlights: JetBlue flight attendant Steven Slater gets the “Working-Class Hero” honor and MSNBC host Rachel Maddow is “Newsmaker of the Year.”

## J-Hud sneak peek

Jennifer Hudson just might her sights set on Oscar No. 2, taking on the role of Nelson Mandela's wife, Winnie, in her next movie project. In the first trailer of “Winnie,” released Monday, the Chicago native shows off her South African accent next to costar Terrence Howard, who plays her husband. The film is set to be released in 2011.

## Hip-hop hooray

Attention, loyal subjects of hip-hop: CyHi Da Prince, one of Kanye West's G.O.O.D. Music artists will perform at Beauty Bar on Saturday night, as part of Ruby Hornet's Digital Freshness series. Da Prince—featured in “So Appalled” alongside Jay-Z, Pusha T and “Ye—is currently courting buzz for his recently released mixtape, “Royal Flush.” Visit [redeyechicago.com/kylesfiles](http://redeyechicago.com/kylesfiles) for more details on the event and to score a pair of free tickets.

## THE DIGIT

**18** Number of times the word “situation” or “situated” is used (we counted!) in a teen-pregnancy PSA featuring Bristol Palin and “Jersey Shore's” Mike “The Situation” Sorrentino.



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